Labor Options for Youth in Highland Guatemala

This presentation will summarize several studies that explore youth jobs in the rural highlands of Guatemala and the ways in which young men and women negotiate limited options that include farm and non-farm jobs, all presenting dubious benefits and multiple drawbacks. The studies present a landscape of insecurity, constant shifting and search for opportunities in the context of limited legal recourse and poverty.

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